

# H. R. 463.

[No Report.]

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

FEBRUARY 18, 1851.

Read twice, and committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

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Mr. BURT, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported the following bill:

## A BILL

To authorize one of the regiments of infantry to be converted into one additional regiment of mounted riflemen, and for other purposes.

1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Repre-*  
2   *sentatives of the United States of America in Congress*  
3   *assembled,* That the President of the United States be,  
4   and he is hereby, authorized, by inter-transfers between the  
5   eight regiments of infantry of the army, to cause one of  
6   said regiments of infantry to be converted into one additional  
7   regiment of mounted riflemen, to be composed of the same  
8   number and rank of officers, non-commissioned officers,  
9   musicians, and privates, as the regiment of mounted rifle-  
10   men now in the service of the United States, who shall re-  
11   ceive the same pay and allowances, and be subject to the

12 same rules and regulations, in all respects whatever, as the  
13 said regiment of mounted riflemen: *Provided*, That the  
14 inter-transfer of officers shall be made without prejudice to  
15 rank: *And provided, also*, That one company of said re-  
16 giment shall be armed with revolving pistols and repeating  
17 rifles.

1       SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That so much of  
2 the act approved the seventeenth day of June, eighteen  
3 hundred and fifty, entitled "An act to increase the rank  
4 and file of the army, and to encourage enlistments," as  
5 confers bounties on recruits enlisted on the frontiers, and  
6 at remote and distant stations, and authorizes the Presi-  
7 dent to cause the infantry to be mounted, be, and the same  
8 is hereby, repealed.

1       SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the term of  
2 enlistment in the army shall be for a term not less than five  
3 nor more than ten years.